

Tamanaku language

Tamanaku (Tamañkú) is an extinct Cariban language of Venezuela.

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Phonology

Consonants

	Bilabial	Alveolar	Palatal	Velar	Glottal
Stop	p	t		k	?
Affricate			ts (dz)		
Fricative	[β]				[h]
Nasal	m	n	[n]		
Liquid		r [l]			
Approximant	w		j		

Stops may have voiced allophones of [b d g]. Allophones of /p, n, r/ include [β h ñ l].^[3]

Vowels

	Front	Central	Back
High	i ī	ɨ ɿ	u û
Mid	e ē	ə ɿ	o õ
Low		a ɿ	

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Tamanaku	
Native to	Venezuela
Extinct	(date missing) ^[1]
Language family	Cariban <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Venezuelan Carib ▪ Mapoyo–Tamanaku ▪ Tamanaku
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	tmz
Glottolog	tama1338 (http://glottolog.org/resource/language/tama1338) ^[2]

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